

Gordon

Addresses

Graduates

John Rutherford Gordon, recipient of an honorary Doctor of Laws degree, delivered the Convocation address to graduates last Thursday. Gordon, Editor-in-Chief of London's Sunday Express, has been quoted, as saying, "The secret of my success is simple: news editors have to have a common-denominator mind."

In his address, Mr. Gordon reviewed the technological advancement of the twentieth century. "I have seen life transformed by invention and discovery . . .", he said, "It has been the most exciting century in History — certainly the most revolutionary."

Mr. Gordon stressed the lack of appreciation of great minds by their contemporaries. "We laughed at the idea of traveling by air," Mr. Gordon said, and "as for the motor-car, it was a rich man's toy until Henry Ford set about to make it every man's necessity."

"Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow have become blurred into one," Mr. Gordon said. "Keep your eyes open; keep your brain alert".

Mr. Gordon spoke of such major technological advancements as motion pictures, vacuum cleaners, and television as being British inventions, contrary to the misconceptions of those believing them to be American-inspired.

Gordon said that many great inventions were discovered accidentally. He cited the match as an example.

Gordon mentioned many of the most recent discoveries, such as space exploration, plastics, and radar, the inventor of which, he said, was recently fined fifteen dollars for speeding in Canada, caught by a radar speed trap.

Nylon stockings sold 64,000 pairs the year they were invented, he said. The popularity of American soldiers among British women Gordon attributed to the fact that they brought nylons to Britain.

He spoke of blood transfusions and dry plasma, invented in London, but he said that the discoveries made by many doctors were at first ignored by their colleagues.

Gordon also spoke of other frustrated inventors, such as Rudolph Diesel, inventor of the diesel engine, who was allegedly murdered by German agents while enroute to England to bring the benefits of his discovery to the world.

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Eaton and Bennett Comment

by GRAEME ROSS

Two of the most controversial guests at Fall Convocation were Cyrus Eaton and W. A. C. Bennett.

Cyrus Eaton is an industrial tycoon and an international celebrity. His wealth and position in the world are not the first things that one noticed in this gentleman, rather a very friendly man with immense intelligence showing in his keen eyes.

Of all the men he has met he feels that undoubtedly Lord Beaverbrook was the most amazing.

Lord Beaverbrook had been a long time personal friend of his. He knew him as Max Aiken and as a Peer. Eaton said that of the world leaders he has known "Lord Beaverbrook's mind was the quickest, sharpest and most determined."

Eaton said that he himself was entirely different. He has to ponder and come to a conclusion before he decides on a course of action.

"When Beaverbrook made up his mind he acted strongly and firmly. He did the most for Canada that any politician, financier, and gentleman has ever done", he said.

Eaton felt that when history comes to record Beaverbrook it will put him down as a very great man. A man that the Maritimes and Canada have been fortunate enough to associate with.

Other great men with whom he has been friends and who impressed him were Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, and Winston Churchill. "Winston Churchill? I knew him and his family. He was a great man," he said.

The man whom Eaton has regretted not meeting was Mao Tse-Tung. He said Mao had a "very amazing" mind.

Dr. Bennett is Premier of British Columbia's Social Credit government. His appearance is that of a gentleman

with a politician inside. He is easy going yet always on the move.

Bennett feels that the Atlantic Provinces have a very good chance of becoming as financially secure as the province of British Columbia.

He said, "the Atlantic provinces and BC both have a lot in common. They are at the extreme ends of the two central blocks consisting of the Prairies, and Quebec and Ontario. The two extreme blocks both have their industrial and farm products to export to the world. This explains why I want to lower the tariffs, rather than raise them," he said.

The best industry for any region to become involved in, Bennett thinks, is the tourist trade. "There are many rich Americans on the Atlantic coast. The majority of them have three cars and a lot of money. This gives the Maritimes a great advantage."

"This trade is a retail trade. Therefore there are no education, job finding and job training problems. The tourists arrive and leave their mo-

ney with no strain on the natural resources and no export of needed goods in exchange."

He showed the advantages the east coast have in this trade by stating the existing qualifications of the area. He said that there is good food, good accommodations and light entertainment. He thinks that these benefits should and are being exploited.

Bennett supports the heavy foreign investment that is presently going on in Canada and notably in his own province. He feels that as long as the investment of foreign funds is in business and not in natural resources, it is good for the pro-

vince.

"This type of foreign capital investment, as long as it does not own part of the province, is welcomed. These investments can come from the USA, Japan, or anywhere else, if they are of this nature," he said.

He had recently been in Japan where he found that the Japanese were the cleanest, most brilliant people he had met. He said that the Japanese are the originators, and not the copiers. The Pacific Ocean is the largest ocean in the world, and Bennett feels, this gap can be crossed with trade.

Convocation

Prize

Winners

Several Fredericton and Central New Brunswick area Students were among the prize winners at Convocation ceremonies for the University of New Brunswick last week.

The Loring Woart Bailey Prize in science went to Michael Edward Cherry of Fredericton, a third year geology student. The John Storrs Brookfield Scholarship for se-

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